

What is Claimed:

1. A device for, in use, preventing operation of a right operating button of a computer mouse, a lower edge of the right operating button being spaced from a base portion of the mouse by a gap therebetween when the right operating button is inoperative, and said device comprising:

an operation prevention member separate from the computer mouse and having an edge portion of a thickness permitting insertion of the edge portion in the gap between the lower edge of the right operating button of the mouse and the base portion of the mouse so as to prevent operation of the right operating button, said edge portion of the operation prevention member including a first edge part adapted to engage an end portion of the gap and a second edge part extending generally orthogonally to said first edge part and being adapted to engage a side portion of the gap.

2. A device as claimed in claim 1, wherein the mouse includes an electrical cord for connecting the mouse to a power source, and said device further comprises attachment means for removably attaching the operation prevention member to the electrical cord.

3. A device as claimed in claim 2 wherein said attachment means includes an attachment member and an elongate connecting element for connecting the operation prevention member to the attachment member.

4. A device as claimed in claim 3 wherein the attachment member comprises an annular member having a central opening therein of a diameter that enables the electrical cord to be received in said central opening, said annular member further including a radial slit therein that enables the annular member to be fit onto the electrical cord.

5. A device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said operation prevention member comprises a substantially planar member.

6. A device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said operation prevention member includes a gripping tab portion.
7. A device as claimed in claim 1 wherein said operation prevention member comprises a substantially planar member of a generally L-shaped configuration as viewed in plan, said L-shaped configuration including a first leg including said first edge part and a second orthogonal leg including said second edge part, said second leg further including a gripping tab extending laterally outwardly therefrom in a direction away from said second edge part.
8. A device for, in use, preventing operation of a right operating button of a computer mouse, a lower edge of the right operating button being normally spaced from a base portion of the mouse by a gap therebetween and the mouse including an electrical cord for connecting the mouse to an electrical power source, said device comprising:
 - an operation prevention member separate from the computer mouse and having an edge portion of a thickness permitting insertion of the edge portion in the gap between the lower edge of the right operating button of the mouse and the base portion of the mouse so as to prevent depressing of the right operating button; and
 - attachment means for removably attaching the operation prevention member to the electrical cord.
9. A device as claimed in claim 8 wherein said attachment means includes an attachment member and an elongate connecting element for connecting the operation prevention member to the attachment member.
10. A device as claimed in claim 9 wherein the attachment member comprises an annular member having a central opening therein of a diameter that enables the electrical cord to be received in said central opening, said annular member further including a radial slit therein that enables the annular member to be fit onto the electrical cord.

11. A device as claimed in claim 8 wherein said operation prevention member comprises a substantially planar member.
12. A device as claimed in claim 8 wherein said operation prevention member includes a gripping tab portion.
13. A device as claimed in claim 12 wherein said edge portion of the operation prevention member includes a first edge part adapted to engage an end portion of the gap and a second edge part extending generally orthogonally to said first edge part and being adapted to engage a side portion of the gap.
14. A device as claimed in claim 13 wherein said operation prevention member comprises a substantially planar member of a generally L-shaped configuration as viewed in plan, said L-shaped configuration including a first leg including said first edge part and a second orthogonal leg including said second edge part, said second leg including a gripping tab extending laterally outwardly therefrom in a direction away from said second edge part.
15. A device for, in use, preventing operation of a right operating button of a computer mouse, a lower edge of the right operating button being spaced from a base portion of the mouse by a gap therebetween when the right operating button is inoperative, and said device comprising:
an operation prevention member separate from the computer mouse and having an edge portion of a thickness permitting insertion of the edge portion in the gap between the lower edge of the right operating button of the mouse and the base portion of the mouse so as to prevent depression of the right operation button, said edge portion of the operation prevention member including a first edge part adapted to engage an end portion of the gap and a second part extending generally orthogonally to said first part and adapted to engage a side portion of the gap,

said operation prevention member being fabricated of plastic and comprising a substantially planar member of a generally L-shaped configuration, as viewed in plan, and including a first leg including said first edge part and a second orthogonal leg including said second edge part, said second leg including a gripping tab portion extending laterally outwardly therefrom, in a common plane therewith, and in a direction away from said second edge part.

16. A device as claimed in claim 15, wherein the mouse includes an electrical cord for connecting the mouse to a power source, and said device further comprises attachment means for removably attaching the operation prevention member to the electrical cord.

17. A device as claimed in claim 16 wherein said attachment means includes an attachment member and an elongate connecting element for connecting the operation prevention member to the attachment member.

18. A device as claimed in claim 16 wherein the attachment member comprises an annular member having a central opening therein of a diameter that enables the electrical cord to be received in said central opening, said annular member further including a radial slit therein that enables the annular member to be fit onto the electrical cord.